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**Testimony  
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Judiciary Committee  
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**HB 6186 AN ACT PROTECTING SCHOOL CHILDREN**

CABE has concerns about Section 10 of HB 6186, An Act Protecting School Children. Specifically, we would suggest the authority be placed with the Superintendent because of the confidentiality of the issues associated with abuse. We would oppose the loss of state funds and would suggest the use of remediation and working to reinforce a structure that provides a safe environment to learn. Professional development of staff is an issue we take very seriously and would remind the committee that school districts are already mandated to provide training on signs of child abuse.

Thank you for your attention to this issue.